

WEB 2.0 COLLECTION – 75 POINTS

Numerous Web 2.0 tools will be introduced throughout the semester. You will be asked to produce artifacts using 10 of these tools (some individually & some as part of a group) and provide a link to or embed the tool on our class wiki. You will use some of these tools as you prepare a summary and reflection of the assigned readings from your textbook. More details will be provided about each tool as they are introduced in class.

In addition to the collection of artifacts that you create for teaching you will be asked to reflect on the usage of the tools. As such, you will create a chart that provides the name of the Web 2.0 tool, a link for it, a thorough description of it, detailed pros/cons pertaining to using it, and some ideas for classroom implementation (you must address classroom usage of the tool in a minimum of 4 different subjects). See the example below. This reflection should be posted in chart format under the “Web 2.0 Collection” tab of the technology wiki.

Grading Criteria

	Points Possible
5 points Per Artifact completed as directed in class for a total of 10 artifacts	50
Reflection Chart	
Includes a through description, detailed pros/cons, & at least 4 possible applications of each tool (2.5 points per tool for a total of 10 tools)	25
Total points	75

Web 2.0 Tool	Description	Pros/Cons	Possible Class Use
Wordle Word Cloud http://www.wordle.net	This tool allows you to play with words. Begin by inserting words and then manipulating them until you find a font, color, and design that you like. Important words can appear larger by typing the word numerous times over or by using the Advanced tab which allows you to weight each word by following it with a colon and a number. The larger the number, the larger the word will appear.	<p>Pros</p> <p>Two major benefits of Wordle are that it is free and easy to use. It is also versatile and can be used in a multitude of ways. Beyond this, Wordle allows you to print your creation, embed it on a webpage, or link to it. Another important advantage is that that it inspires creativity and fun with words.</p> <p>Cons</p> <p>After creating the Wordle and saving it, editing is impossible. Too, often the words appear too jumbled or random and may be distracting for viewers.</p>	<p>Social Studies: research a historical figure, including notable attributes; snip the Wordle, paste into word, and attach a photo of the person, resulting in a poster.</p> <p>Reading: describe the setting, character, or author</p> <p>English: create a synonym/antonym or contraction/antecedent Wordle</p> <p>Math: construct a Wordle that reviews the multiplication table (one set per Wordle)</p> <p>Science: write the names and descriptions of the planets</p> <p>Spelling: write spelling words; each word to be written a specific number of times</p> <p>Letter recognition/Phonics: make a Wordle that focuses on a particular letter; each word must begin with the letter under study</p>